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**SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

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1 - Mr. Moschella  
Office of  
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March 25, 1980

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Honorable Gerry E. Studds  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Studds:

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This is in reference to your recent request for comment regarding your constituents' inquiries which were forwarded to us by your note dated March 6, 1980. Copies of this correspondence and enclosures are provided for your convenience.

In response to the question of why records pertaining to Dr. Martin Luther King were placed under seal, I would refer you to two civil actions filed in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. These suits, Bernard S. Lee vs. Clarence M. Kelley, et al., Civil Action Number 76-1185, and Southern Christian Leadership Conference vs. Clarence M. Kelley, et al., Number 76-1186, were brought against members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for alleged wiretapping in violation of rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. Both plaintiffs were seeking money damages and requested that all records of the monitored conversations be destroyed or impounded.

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On January 31, 1977, the court ordered that "all known copies of the recorded tapes, and transcripts thereof, resulting from the FBI's microphonic surveillance, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff's former president, Martin Luther King, Jr; and all known copies of the tapes, transcripts and logs resulting from the FBI's telephonic wiretapping, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff's offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York, New York, the home of Martin Luther King, Jr., and places of public accommodation occupied by Martin Luther King, Jr.," be turned over to the custody of the National Archives and Records Service to be maintained under seal for 50 years.

Other records pertaining to Dr. King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, located at FBI Headquarters, Washington, D.C., are presently being processed for release under the provisions of the Freedom of Information

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Honorable Gerry E. Studds

Act. These records, when processed, will be available to any requester upon payment of duplication fees at the rate of 10 cents per page. It is anticipated that this material will be ready for release in approximately three months.

I hope that this information will be responsive to your constituents' inquiries.

Sincerely yours,

*J*  
David G. Flanders, Chief  
Freedom of Information-  
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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
DATE 5-1-81 BY [signature]

Honorable Norman Shumway  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20518

Dear Congressman Shumway:

Reference is made to the telephonic communication on November 9, 1979, with Ms. Kathy Hartman of your office regarding an inquiry concerning materials pertaining to Dr. Martin Luther King which cannot be made available to the public for fifty years.

On January 31, 1977, in the cases entitled Bernard S. Lee v. Clarence M. Kelley, et al. (U.S.D.C., D.C.) Civil Action Number 76-1185 and Southern Christian Leadership Conference v. Clarence M. Kelley, et al., (U.S.D.C., D.C.) Civil Action Number 76-1186, United States District Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr. ordered that the FBI purge its files of:

"all known copies of the recorded tapes, and transcripts thereof, resulting from the FBI's microphone surveillance, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiffs' offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York, New York, the home of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the places of public accommodation occupied by Martin Luther King, Jr."

A copy of this court order is enclosed for your information. The material subject to this order was to be delivered into the custody of the National Archives and Records Service by April 30, 1977, but due to the volume of records to be reviewed, the Department of Justice requested that the court grant a 90-day extension. This extension expired on July 28, 1977, and due to the volume of material involved, a second extension was requested which expired on October 28, 1977.

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Honorable Norman Shumway

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID G. FLANDERS  
David G. Flanders, Chief  
Freedom of Information-  
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TO : Mr. Moore

DATE: 4/25/77

FROM : S. S. Mignosa

- 1 - Mr. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Mignosa
- 1 - Mr. Thornton
- 1 - Mr. Awe
- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - Mr. Mintz  
(Attn: Mr. Harmon)
- 1 - Mr. Powers

SUBJECT: BERNARD S. LEE  
VERSUS  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY  
ET AL;  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185  
BUFILE 62-117194

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
VERSUS  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY  
ET AL;  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186  
BUFILE 62-117193

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Martin Luther King  
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**PURPOSE:** To furnish an inventory of sensitive material pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr., which material is maintained in a locked file cabinet in Room 4092, JEH, and to recommend the Document Classification Review Unit, Records Management Division (RMD), review this material for classification purposes; thereafter, the Records Systems Section, Records Branch, RMD, furnish this material to the National Archives.

**SYNOPSIS:** The SCLC complaint was filed 6/25/76, and seeks \$5 million from present and former Bureau officials. The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76, seeks \$1 million from the same defendants. Both suits seek to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, transcripts, and memoranda resulting from tapes of plaintiffs' conversations. An amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76, in both civil actions to address certain issues listed in the defendant's motion to dismiss. On 1/31/77, U. S. District Court Judge ordered that the motions to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run. However, the judge ordered that results

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of microphonic and telephonic surveillances of King and the SCLC be turned over to the National Archives within 90 days of the date of the dismissal order. The dismissal order is due to expire 4/30/77, but the Department of Justice has asked the court for an extension of 90 days.

RECOMMENDATIONS: That the Document Classification Review Unit review the material mentioned herein (designated by \*) for classification.

That the Records Systems Section furnish this material to the National Archives.

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DETAILS: The SCLC complaint was filed on 6/25/76, and seeks \$5 million from Mr. Kelley; Mr. DeLoach; Mr. William C. Sullivan; Mr. John P. Mohr, executor of the estate of Clyde A. Tolson, deceased; and 10 unknown FBI Agents.

The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76, seeks \$1 million from the same named defendants and from 2 unknown FBI Agents. Both suits seek to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, the transcripts, and memos resulting from tapes from plaintiffs' conversations.

Amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76 in both civil actions to address certain issues raised in the defendants' motions to dismiss, filed 9/27/76.

On 1/31/77, U. S. District Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., ordered that the motions by Federal defendants to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the

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Statute of Limitations had run. He further ordered that within 90 days all known copies of the recorded tapes and transcripts thereof, resulting from the FBI's microphonic surveillance, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff organization's former President, Martin Luther King, Jr., and all known copies of the tapes, transcripts, and logs resulting from the FBI's telephone wiretapping, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff organization's offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York, New York, the home of Martin Luther King, Jr., and places of public accommodation occupied by Martin Luther King, Jr., be assembled at FBIHQ. He also ordered that an inventory of the tapes and documents be delivered to him and the tapes and documents themselves be delivered to the custody of the National Archives and Records Service.

The dismissal order is due to expire 4/30/77, but due to the volume of material to be reviewed in this matter, the Department of Justice has asked the court for an extension of 90 days.

The following is a list of sensitive materials pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr., maintained in a locked file cabinet in Room 4092, JEH. Only those serials marked by \* are to be reviewed and turned over to National Archives:

Drawer 1

- \*1. 1/27/75 Workpaper On Review of W. C. Sullivan materials (original removed per Deegan memo to Mr. Wannall, 12/12/75, " Martin Luther King, Jr.")
- \*2. Six-volume file entitled "Communications Concerning Martin Luther King, Jr." "TOP SECRET"
3. Request To Place A Technical Surveillance on King's Residence and on the SCLC Office, Evans to Belmont memo dated 10/10/63 (100-106670-254). (4) 4
4. Memo from Burke Marshall to Mr. Hoover re Hunter Pitts O'Dell dated 9/30/63 (100-358916-272).
5. Memo, Evans to Belmont, dated 7/25/63, Jones-approved, King-denied. Memo to Attorney General, 7/23/63 (100-106670-171).

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6. Evans to Belmont memo re Martin Luther King, Jr., and Communist Influence in Racial Matters dated 10/21/63. Memo to Attorney General, 10/18/63 (Tech approved 10/21/63, on SCLC) (100-106670-259).
7. Request to continue technical surveillance an additional six months, 10/27/65 (100-442529-1553)
8. Information re discontinuance of surveillance at Americana Hotel, New York City, 11/30/65, dated 12/1/65 (100-106670-2183).
9. Attorney General to Mr. Hoover, 12/10/65 -- "advises caution be taken in terms of non-FBI people involved in installation of techs." (100-106670-2184)
- \* 10. Memo dated 12/21/64 furnished to interested officials of the Government and containing additional information relating to the personal conduct of Martin Luther King, Jr. (100-442529-555)
11. Memo from Sullivan to Belmont, 11/27/64, re addition of information to "Communism and the Negro Movement -- A Current Analysis" (100-442529-505).
12. Memorandum from Baumgardner to Sullivan recommending that National Science Foundation (NSF) be furnished information concerning Communist influence exerted on SCLC and King, dated 12/17/64. (100-438794-215).
13. Memorandum from Sullivan to Belmont, 12/21/64, re additional information received re King's conduct at Memphis and Oslo, Norway. (100-442529-555)
14. Letter from Hoover to Haworth of NSF dated 12/21/64, furnishing him with an additional memo re Martin Luther King's personal conduct. (100-442529-552)
15. Letter from Hoover to Carl T. Rowan dated 12/21/64, furnishing him with a copy of a study entitled, "Communism and the Negro Movement -- A Current Analysis." (100-442529-539)
16. Letter from Hoover to Haworth, NSF, 12/18/64, furnishing him with a copy of "Communism and the Negro Movement -- A Current Analysis." (100-442529-538)

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17. Hoover to Attorney General furnishing him with a copy of "Communist Influence in Racial Matters - A Current Analysis," dated 4/10/67. (100-442529-2139)
18. Hoover to Attorney General furnishing him with a copy of "Martin Luther King, Jr., -- A Current Analysis," dated 3/14/68. (100-106670-3230)
19. Memo to the Attorney General dated 6/22/66." Technical Surveillance on SCLC was discontinued 6/21/66. (100-442529-1876)
20. Two clippings of newspaper articles by Carl T. Rowan, 6/15/69, The Sunday Star, and 6/20/69, The Evening Star.
- \*21. Possibility of Effecting a Technical Surveillance on Clarence Benjamin Jones and Martin Luther King, Jr., Evans to Belmont memorandum, 7/16/63. (100-3-116-41)
- \*22. Memorandum, Baumgardner to Sullivan, 4/13/64, captioned, "Communist Party - USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, Internal Security - Communist."

Drawer 2

- \*1. Elaboration data regarding white paper (release pages 57-61)
2. Miscellaneous Pertinent Serials:
  - \*a. 100-442529-126, with enclosures - turn over enclosures because transcript material
  - b. 100-106670-517
  - \*c. 100-106670-520
  - \*d. 100-106670-523
  - e. 100-106670-529
  - f. 100-3-116-1112(There are 4 copies of each of the above listed serials contained in 4 separate, but identical packages)
3. Las Vegas 4/27/64 - Pertinent Serials
  - a. 100-106670-414, with enclosures
  - b. 100-106670 - NR - LV airtel, 5/25/64, captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, Martin Luther King." (original in 100-3-116-1495)

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- c. original of above 100-3-116-1495
- d. 100-3-116-1512, with enclosures
- \* e. 100-106670-3559, with enclosures

Delete pages 10-12 (material under heading "King's Personal Conduct")

- \* 4. New York City, 1/21-23/66 - Pertinent Serials 100-106670 - 2224X - Transcript
- \* 5. Ticklers - Detroit, Michigan, 3/19-20/64, Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan
- \* 6. Ticklers - Washington, D. C., 1/5-7/64, Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- \* 7. Ticklers - Miscellaneous (portions have tech data)
- \* 8. Ticklers, New York City, 10/14-15/65, Astor Hotel, New York City.
- 9. Ticklers, Los Angeles, California, 7/8-9/64, Hyatt House Hotel, Los Angeles, California.
- 10. Ticklers, New York City, 10/28-30/65, New York Hilton Hotel, New York City.
- 11. Pertinent Serials - Los Angeles, 7/8-9/64
- \* Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 7/15/64, 100-106670 - NR  
100-3-116-1866  
100-3-116-1865, with enclosures
- \* Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 7/17/64, 100-106670 - NR  
(original in 100-3-116-1866)
- \* Letter to Honorable Walter W. Jenkins, 7/17/64, 100-106670 - NR (original in 100-3-116-1866)
- \* 100-3-116-1866  
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100-3-116-1939, with enclosures  
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12. Pertinent serials - Detroit 3/19-20/64
  - \*Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 4/13/64, 100-106670, with enclosure NR (original in 100-3-116-1197)
  - \*100-3-116-1197, with enclosure
  - \*100-3-116-1456  
(4 copies of above)
13. Pertinent serials, Los Angeles, 2/20-21, 23/24/64.
  - \*100-3-116-1051, with enclosure
  - \*100-3-116-1052, with enclosure  
(4 copies of above)
- \*14. Pertinent serials, Sacramento, 4/23-24/64, 100-3-116-1339, with enclosure. (4 copies of above)
15. Pertinent serials, Honolulu, 2/18-20/64
  - 100-3-116-1049
  - \*100-3-116-1078
  - \*100-3-116-1050  
100-106670 - NR (original in 100-3-116-1053)  
Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 3/4/64, with enclosure
  - \*100-3-116-1053  
100-3-116-1143  
(4 copies of above)
16. Pertinent serials, Washington, D. C., 1/5-6/64.
  - \*100-3-116-761 (enclosure)
  - \*100-106670 - NR (original in 100-3-116-761)  
Sullivan to Belmont memo, 1/13/64
  - \*100-3-116-761  
100-3-116-762  
(4 copies of above)
17. Pertinent serials, New York City, 10/14-15/65.
  - \*100-106670-1976  
100-106670-1975 and 1980
  - \*100-106670-2031  
(4 copies of above)
18. Folder "Honolulu Trip" (containing ticklers)
  - \*AT airtel, 12/24/63, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
AT letter, 1/2/64, captioned "

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- LA airtel, 1/3/64, captioned "
- \* AT letter, 1/8/64, captioned "
- \* AT letter, 1/14/64 captioned "
- \* AT letter, 1/15/64 captioned "
- \* AT airtel, 1/15/64 captioned "
- LA airtel, 1/17/64 captioned "
- LA airtel 1/21/64 captioned "
- Honolulu letter 1/22/64 captioned "
- White paper captioned "
- Buairtel 1/29/64 captioned "
- Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 1/28/64 captioned "
- Bulet, 1/31/64 captioned "
- Discussion Data...between SF Supervisor and Seat of Government personnel captioned "
- Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 2/4/64 captioned "
- Buairtel to Honolulu, 2/5/64 captioned "
- Buairtel to AT, 2/5/64 captioned, "
- \* AT airtel, 2/3/64, captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luther King, J.
- Buairtel, 2/7/64, captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"
- AT airtel, 2/5/64, captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luther King, J.
- LA airtel with enclosure, 2/5/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"
- LA airtel, 2/7/64, captioned "
- AT teletype, 2/8/64 captioned "
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- SF airtel, 2/11/64 captioned "
- \* AT radiogram, 2/13/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luther King, J.
- SF radiogram, 2/13/64 captioned "
- HO radiogram, 2/13/64, captioned "
- BA teletype, 2/14/64 captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"
- LA airtel, 2/14/64, captioned "
- AT radiogram, 2/14/64, captioned Communist Party, USA, Negro Question Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luther King, J.
- AT radiogram, 2/16/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro

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Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
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HO radiogram, 2/17/64 captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro  
Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luthe  
King, Jr."  
HO radiogram, 2/18/64, captioned "  
LA radiogram, 2/19/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro  
Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
HO radiogram, 2/19/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro  
Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C, Martin Luthe  
King, Jr."  
BA airtel, 2/18/64, captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Questio  
Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
AT radiogram, 2/19/64, captioned "  
LA radiogram, 2/19/64, captioned "  
\*HO radiogram, 2/19/64, captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro  
Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C" and "Martin  
Luther King, Jr."  
\*J. A. Sizoo to Sullivan memo, 2/20/64, captioned "Communist Party,  
USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
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\*AT teletype 2/21/64, captioned "  
AT radiogram, 2/20/64 captioned "  
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\*AT radiogram, 2/24/64, captioned "  
\*Sullivan to Belmont memo, 2/22/64 captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr  
IS-C"  
LA teletype, 2/25/64 captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro  
Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"  
LA let, 2/24/64 captioned "  
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- Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 3/18/64 captioned "
- HO let, 2/21/64 [REDACTED] b7(E)
- SF let, 3/25/64 [REDACTED]
- Personal letter to W. C. Sullivan from [REDACTED]
- Bulet to LA, 3/12/64
- LA let, 4/6/64 b7(C)
- LA let, 4/13/64 "
- \* Atlanta airtel, 3/10/64 captioned, "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C" and " Martin Luther King, Jr."
- \* Buairtel, 3/13/64 captioned "Communist Party, USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C"
- LA airtel, 3/18/64 captioned "
- \* AT airtel, 3/19/64 captioned "
- O-1, 4/1/64
- O-1, 4/3/64
- LA airtel, 4/10/64, captioned "
- Buairtel, 4/15/64 captioned "
- \* LA airtel, 4/16/64 captioned "
- LA airtel, 4/20/64 captioned "
- LA airtel, 7/22/64 captioned "
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- Buairtel, 2/7/64 captioned "
- SF airtel, 2/10/64 captioned "
- Buairtel, 2/12/64 captioned "
- Buairtel, 2/17/64 captioned "
- Butel, 2/17/64 captioned "
- Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, 2/26/64 captioned "
- Sullivan to Belmont memo, 3/5/64 captioned "

19. Folder "4/24/64, West Coast Trip, including Las Vegas,"  
(contains tickler copies of the following)

- \* AT airtel, 3/23/64 captioned, Communist Party, USA, Negro Question

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters" and Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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Baumgardner to Sullivan memo, with enclosures, 5/25/64  
LV airtel, 5/25/64 captioned " and "Martin Luther King, Jr."  
Work paper, 6/13/64 captioned "  
Memo, Baumgardner to Sullivan with enclosures, 6/11/64  
\*LA airtel, 4/27/64 captioned "  
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\*20. Box marked "Washington, D. C., 1/5-6/64  
Reference 100-442529-829 - "Hand Delivered" containing 15-5" reels  
bearing the same notation as appears on the outside of the box  
with one exception, the reels are marked, "1 of 15" etc. and  
carry additional date of 11/19/64. In addition, this box contains  
(one) 7" reel bearing file # 100-3-116-1523 and notation <sup>b(2)</sup>  
"Reference Atlanta letter, 6/8/64, 100-3-116-1523 from [REDACTED] b7  
conversation between Mr. and Mrs. M. L. King, 5/31/64. No transcri

Drawer 3

1. Envelope marked "Photographs of Principals at Los Angeles with 2 Rolls of Motion Picture Film."
- \*2. Envelope marked "New York City 10/28-30/65 Original Transcript" - serial 100-106670-2092
- \*3. Envelope marked "Los Angeles, 2/20-21, 23-24/64, original transcript." Serial 100-3-116-1049
- \*4. Envelope marked "Washington, D. C., 1/5-6/64 original transcript" - serial 100-106670-1024
- \*5. Envelope marked "Sacramento 4/23-24/64 original transcript"
- \*6. Envelope marked "New York City, 10/14-15/65 original transcript (long and short version) " Serial 100-106670-1990
- \*7. Envelope marked "WFO Original Notes" (contains hand written notes of overhears)
- \*8. Envelope marked "Washington, D. C., 1/5-6/64, Original Notes of WFO Transcript"
- \*9. Envelope marked "Los Angeles, 7/8-9/64 Original Transcript" serial 100-106670-1024
- \*10. Box containing 3-5" and 18-7" reels - marked "Los Angeles 2/20-21, 23-24/64 - Reference 100-3-116-1112, 3/26/64, Registry # 928677."  
(all tapes have some notation as that on box.)
- \*11. Box marked 1. Detroit 3/19-20/64, Reference 100-442529-530, registry information attached. 8-7" reels,"  
2. New York City 10/14-15/65, Reference 100-106670-1990 6-7" reels;"  
3. "New York City 1/28-30/65,

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reference 100-106670-2092, From New York Office, 11/4/65 by R/S to Sizoo. Initialled for file by [REDACTED] 3-7" reels.  
(Box contains 17 reels as above.)

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Drawer 4

- \*1. "Copy of Transcript - Washington, D. C. 1/5-6/64  
(3 copies of above)
- \*2. Copy of Transcripts - Honolulu 2/18-20/64; Los Angeles 2/20-21, 23-24/64; Detroit 3/19-20/64; Sacramento 4/23/64; Los Angeles 7/8-9/64; New York City 10/14-15/65; and New York City 10/28-30/65."  
(3 copies of above)
- \*3. Box marked 1. "Sacramento 4/23-24/64, reference 100-3-116-1339  
2. "Honolulu 2/18-20/64, Reference 100-3-116-1112, Registry # 928677, 2/26/64 from Los Angeles to Washington, D. C., 2-5" and 7-7" reels;"  
3. "Los Angeles 7/8-9/64, Reference 100-3-116-1741, Registry # 928432 from Los Angeles 7/15/64 5-5" reels." (Box contains 19 reels of tape which have corresponding markings to those on outside of box.)
- \*4. Box marked "Contents, # Reels, Duplicate tapes 2-7", 2-5" composite tapes 3-7", 2-5"; Atlanta tape 1-7"  
(Box contains 10 reels of tape which have corresponding markings to those on outside of box.)

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The Associate Director

2/4/77

Legal Counsel

BERNARD S. LEE, v.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY, et al.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE, v.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY, et al.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 76-1186

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DATE 3-4-81 BY SP4 J/mjm  
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PURPOSE. To report that captioned civil actions have been dismissed and to recommend that General Investigative Division (GID) assemble specified tape recordings and attendant documents at FBIHQ for delivery to the Archivist of the United States.

SYNOPSIS & DETAILS: The enclosed Order was signed by U. S. District Court Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., on 1/31/77. Judge Smith ordered that the motions by defendants Clarence M. Kelley, Cartha DeLoach, William C. Sullivan and John P. Mohr to dismiss the amended complaint in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run and further ordered that within 90 days all known copies of the recorded tapes and transcripts thereof, resulting from the FBI's microphonic surveillance, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiffs' former president, Martin Luther

Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher (Enc.)
- 1 - Mr. Mints
- 1 - Civil Litigation Unit

- 1 - Mr. Decker (Enc.)  
Attn: Mr. J. M. Powers
- 1 - Mr. Nugent (Enc.)

- 1 - 62-117193
- 1 - 100-438794

- 1 - 62-117194
- ① - 100-106670

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Memorandum to the Associate Director  
Re: Lee v. Clarence M. Kelley, et al.  
SCLC v. Clarence M. Kelley, et al.

King, Jr.) and all known copies of the tapes, transcripts and logs resulting from the FBI's telephone wiretapping, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiffs' offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York, New York, the home of Martin Luther King, Jr., and places of public accommodation occupied by Martin Luther King, Jr., be assembled at FBIHQ and he ordered that an inventory of the tapes and documents be delivered to him and the tapes and documents themselves be delivered to the custody of the National Archives and Records Service.

RECOMMENDATIONS: (1) That GID prepare an airtel to all Field Offices and Legats instructing that all copies of tape recordings, transcripts and logs identified in the attached order be transmitted to FBIHQ by 2/28/77, to the attention of Mr. Paul E. Nugent. This instruction should be handled under the direct supervision of each SAC and Legat and should include any portions of documents known to have been routed to other files. Each responding office should also send inventory of all materials transmitted showing the number of pages of logs or transcripts generated each day interceptions took place.

(2) That GID assemble such documents along with all similar documents maintained at FBIHQ, including transcripts and/or logs reproduced in response to these civil actions and secure them in a locked file cabinet.

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(3) That GID prepare an inventory of all tape recordings and attendant documents and place one copy of this inventory in a sealed envelope.

(4) That Legal Counsel furnish this sealed envelope to the Department for delivery to the Court.

(5) That Legal Counsel have the Department contact the Archivist of the United States and make arrangements for the transfer of all documents covered by this Order to the National Archives and Records Service.



January 28, 1970

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Massachusetts 02631

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letter was received on January 26th and in response to your inquiry, at a press conference on November 18, 1964, I stated that Martin Luther King was the most notorious liar in the country. I did so because he had grossly distorted the facts concerning our Special Agents handling civil rights investigations in the South. I have not retracted that statement.

Sincerely yours,

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DATE 5-14-80 BY SP 1252

J. Edgar Hoover

MAILED 21  
JAN 28 1970  
COMM-FBI

1 - Boston - Enclosure

NOTE: We have had prior correspondence with [Redacted] at the above address.

[Redacted] Bufiles disclose cordial relations with radio station WEEI in the past and nothing derogatory concerning it. There have been citizens' complaints concerning this station. Tom Russell, Gene Burns and Mr. Dreggaser cannot be identified in Bufiles on the basis of available information.

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Walters \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
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- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
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- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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[Handwritten signatures and initials]

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Walters	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Soyars	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

[REDACTED]  
 MASSACHUSETTS  
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21 January 1970

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Sir:

W E E I, a CBS radio station in Boston has been conducting talk shows for some time. They have one announcer named Tom Russell who never says anything objectionable. The rest of the announcers seem to be hired upon their ability to spew forth hatred for the United States. They all sound like agents from the Kremlin.

The station is managed by a man named Treggaser, a Vice President of CBS. He puts out editorials regularly, and most of them are anti American.

I have written to Dr. Stannton of CBS, but this was many months ago and he has never answered my letter of complaint against the stations policies.

Recently they hired a new man named Gene Burns. He is apparently very well educated, and apparently studied for the Priesthood. He is the most anti-American and Pro Communist of them all.

He has repeatedly been harping on the subject of J. Edgar Hoover criticizing Martin Luther King, and then being made to apologize publically by Nicholas Katzanbach the Attorney General. I try to keep abreast with what you do and say and I remember you taking King to task but I never heard of you retracting anything you said.

*He never did retract. H*

Yesterday a woman challenged him on this statement. He offered to give the date that you found fault with King, but when she said she did not need that date, but wanted him to come up with the date you apologized, he made a poor excuse that he did not keep such matters on record but would get Katzanbach on the telephone.

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CORRESPONDENCE

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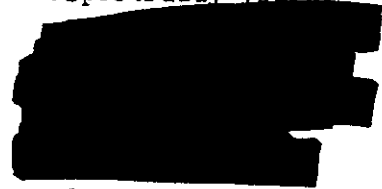
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Needless to say we never heard Mr. Katzanbach on the radio.

If there is any printed material on this subject that I could use to expose this communist agent, I would appreciate it if you would have it sent to me.

Respectfully yours,

A large, solid black rectangular redaction covering the signature and name of the sender.

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Date of Mail 5/21/69

Has been removed and placed in the Special File Room of Records Branch.

See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

*Martin Luther King*

Subject JUNE MAIL

*MLK*  
99 JUN 3 1969

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FBI

Date: 11/7 '66

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO DATE 5/16/80 BY SP1 GSK/DB/RA (initials)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY  
ENGLEWOOD ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC),  
ENGLEWOOD AREA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
10/36

OSI CDR 57-1490

DEMONSTRATIONS BY CHICAGO FREEDOM  
MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CHICAGO,  
ILLINOIS

RM  
CG 157-1261

ACEL UNIT

Re Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum dated  
11/3/66, captioned as above and Chicago teletypes dated 11/3-6/66  
and above captions.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 13 copies of a letterhead  
memorandum concerning captioned matter, 2 copies each designated  
for the State and Columbia for information.

- 1 - Bureau (Enc. 13) (RM) 100-106670 -
- 1 - 100-438794 (COMINFIL - SCLC)
- 1 - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. NOT RECORDED)
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (Enc. 2) (RM) 201 NOV 14 1966
- 1 - 100-5586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 1 - 100-5718 (COMINFIL - SCLC)
- 1 - Columbia (Info) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago
- 1 - 157-413
- 1 - 105-16238 (COMINFIL - SCLC)
- 1 - 100-35356 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL FILED IN 157-6-9-371

CG 157-1490

A copy of this memo is being provided the Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago.

Chicago is continuing to follow and the Bureau and interested offices will be appropriately advised of any subsequent developments or information.

Chicago will follow the reported weekend retreat or conference referred to herein in South Carolina. An appropriate representative of the [REDACTED] and any additional detailed information will be immediately provided.

The source utilized in the enclosed memorandum [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] With reference to that information concerning KING'S presence in Chicago over the weekend of September 5-6, 1966, and the South Carolina matter, [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

100-1490  
157-1261

Chicago, Illinois  
November 7, 1966

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY  
ENGLEWOOD ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC),  
ENGLEWOOD AREA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
OCTOBER, 1966  
RACIAL MATTER

DEMONSTRATIONS BY CHICAGO FREEDOM  
MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
RACIAL MATTER.

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated  
November 3, 1966, captioned as above.

[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, a.m., November 3, 1966, that  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President of the SCLC, was in  
Chicago at the present time, although the exact details  
concerning the time of his arrival were not available.

[REDACTED] advised that King is scheduled to visit alleged slum  
apartment buildings located at 3500 West Fulton Street and  
1837 West Carroll Avenue, Chicago, at approximately 12 noon  
today, the purpose of these visits to encourage a rent  
strike being organized among tenants at these addresses  
by the East Garfield Park Union to End Slums (EGPUES).  
The EGPUES is a part of the CFM-SCLC.

[REDACTED] advised that buildings at these addresses  
are managed by the Balin Realty, 21 North Pulaski Avenue,  
Chicago, and the possibility exists that a prayer vigil and  
demonstration may be held before the Balin Realty later by the  
King group.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions  
of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency;  
it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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DATE 5/16/80 BY SP4 BSK/DB/CA

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[REDACTED] continued that the CFM's "Operation Breadbasket,"  
an effort to assure additional employment opportunities  
in the area for Negroes, is currently conducting negotiations  
with the High-Low Foods, Incorporated. These negotiations  
are to increase the number of Negro employees by this  
grocery chain, together with a request that these stores  
utilize Negro owned banks in connection with their financial  
activities. [REDACTED] advised that CFM representatives have  
indicated the possibility of picket demonstrations in the  
event that continuing negotiations by the "Operation Breadbasket"  
officials and the High-Low Food Stores are unsatisfactory. b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised at 1:15 p.m., November 3,  
1966, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and an entourage of  
some fifty persons had visited tenement buildings at the above  
addresses and had interviewed some of the residents here  
concerning their complaints about the conditions in these  
buildings and their difficulties with the building management.  
King and this group had subsequently proceeded to the  
offices of Balin Realty where a demonstration was taking  
place, while King was in the [REDACTED] conversing with the  
management of this realty concerning relation to  
complaints which had been indicated earlier to him by  
tenants in these buildings. He advised up to this point  
this demonstration was peaceful and there had been no arrests  
or incidents. b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised at 5 p.m., November 3, 1966,  
that King and the fifty or so demonstrators had departed the area  
of the Balin Realty offices at approximately 3:30 p.m. on this  
date. There had been no incidents or disorders in connection



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with this entire affair and [REDACTED] advised that he had no information concerning King's itinerary or anticipated activities during the remainder of the day. b7(D)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on November 4, 1966, made available information concerning a CFM meeting which had been held the previous evening at the Christ Methodist Church, 6401 South Sangamon Street, Chicago. Reverend Jessie Jackson, affiliated here with the SCLC and in charge of "Operation Breadbasket," was the principal speaker to the approximately 200 persons who were in attendance. Jackson stated in his remarks that he has recently been meeting with officials of the High-Low Food Stores in Chicago and it now appears, as a result of the most recent meeting, that High-Low officials are going to "meet their demands." Jackson stated that 14 of the High-Low stores in Chicago are located in predominately Negro neighborhoods and these stores account for some 30 percent of the profits of the entire chain. The CFM is demanding that High-Low hire more Negroes and place their profits in Negro areas in Negro banks, so that Negro businesses may be supported.

Reverend James Orange of the SCLC was also present, according to this source, and asked for volunteers from the audience to join in the picketing demonstration which is planned for the Halsted and 63rd business district on the following Saturday, November 5, 1966. This demonstration will be in protest of an urban renewal project in this area which will demolish a Negro residential area to make way for additional shopping facilities.

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Subsequently, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7(D) advised during the afternoon of November 4, 1966, that representatives of the CFM-SCLC and the EAC are now planning a march, November 6, 1966, on the Grand Crossing Chicago Police Precinct Station, 834 East 75th Street, the march to be in protest of the fatal shooting of an Englewood area resident on October 28, 1966, by Grand Crossing Patrolmen. [REDACTED] b7(D) the victim had been stopped for a traffic violation, had fought with arresting officers, and was shot during the resulting altercation.

Representatives of the EAC and CFM are alleging that this individual was "murdered."

[REDACTED] continued that marchers are to assemble at the shooting scene, 71st and South Park Avenue, Chicago, on November 6, 1966, for the march to the Grand Crossing Station where a prayer vigil is to be held. This demonstration is to be in addition to that to be held in the vicinity of 63rd and Halsted on November 6, 1966, by the EAC and the CFM. b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. remains in Chicago to the knowledge of [REDACTED] residing with Dr. Alvin Pitcher, University of Chicago faculty member and advisor to the CFM. [REDACTED] had no information concerning his weekend plans or subsequent itinerary. b7(D)

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[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office during the late afternoon of November 5, 1966, that 25 to 30 demonstrators led by James Orange, above, gathered at Christ Methodist Church, approximately 2 p.m., November 5, 1966, for the demonstration to be held on that date at 63rd and Halsted Streets in the Englewood area on Chicago's south side. This group subsequently proceeded to 63rd and Halsted, picketed before various business establishments located in this immediate vicinity and passed out handbills protesting the urban renewal program for the area. The demonstration ended at 3:30 p.m. with no incidents or arrests. b7

[REDACTED] above, advised on November 6, 1966, that demonstration to have been held during the afternoon hours of this date by the EAC and the CFM at 63rd and Halsted Streets did not take place. It developed that all efforts of these groups were subsequently directed toward the march on the Grand Crossing Police Station in protest of the fatal shooting of the Englewood area resident on October 28, 1966. b7(D)

According to [REDACTED] demonstrators began assembling on 64th and Sangamon at approximately 2 p.m. At 3:15 p.m. these demonstrators left by automobile for 71st and South Park Avenue, the scene of the shooting. From here the approximately 65 demonstrators marched to the Grand Crossing Station, located in the 7th Police District. Subsequently, upon arrival at the Grand Crossing Station, the number of demonstrators increased to approximately 150 persons, a brief prayer vigil was conducted, led by Reverend James Orange, and the demonstrators dispersed subsequently with no disturbance, arrests, or incidents at approximately 5 p.m. b7(D)

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Orange also demanded, just prior to the prayer vigil, that a civilian review board be set up in Chicago to investigate future such Police incidents and the two officers involved should be suspended and brought to trial for murder.

Before the demonstrators dispersed, an announcement was made that a rally would be held on Thursday, PM November 10, 1966, at the Antioch Baptist Church, 415 West Englewood Avenue and these participants in this rally would again march on the Grand Crossing Police Station.

The above confidential source advised on November 7, 1966, that Dr. King continues to remain in Chicago to the best of the source's knowledge. Over the weekend King was engaged in conference with the SCLC staff here, as well as with representatives of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCO), concerning the general status of the CFM. King is not known to have participated in any of the CFM demonstrations over the past weekend.

The source continued that he has learned that the Chicago staff of the SCLC, as well as representatives of the CCCO, have plans to spend a portion of the coming weekend, that is November 12-13, 1966, in retreat or conference type activities at an unknown location in South Carolina. At this point further details are not known to the source concerning this latter activity on the part of the SCLC and the CCCO.

Pertinent portions of the above information were provided over the period of November 3-6, 1966, to the following individuals:

RE: PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY  
ENGLEWOOD ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC)  
ENGLEWOOD AREA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

DEMONSTRATIONS BY CHICAGO FREEDOM  
MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Secret Service,  
Chicago, Illinois

R. G. Schultz  
A. T. Le Cesne  
Office of the United States Attorney,  
Chicago, Illinois

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Region 1,  
113th MI Group  
Evanston, Illinois

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to the  
United States Attorney, Chicago.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE:

6-27-66

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 13341-13342. Congressman Ryan, (D) New York, pointed out that civil rights leaders have advised that they plan to return to Philadelphia, Mississippi, to pay tribute to the three civil rights workers, James Chaney, Andrew Goodwin, and Michael Schwerner, murdered in Philadelphia two years ago. He stated "I have urged and shall continue to urge that the Attorney General send Federal marshals and all available manpower to Philadelphia, Miss., on Friday in order to protect the civil rights leaders of this Nation in offering their tributes." Congressman Andrews, (D) Alabama, stated "Is the gentleman familiar with the record that the FBI has of Martin Luther King?" Ryan replied "I am familiar with the fact that the Reverend Martin Luther King is one of the great Americans of our time. - - - I hope that the gentleman from Alabama will join in this request that the President and the Department of Justice use Federal marshals, the FBI - - - to protect those who are only exercising their constitutional rights." Andrews went on to state "Is the gentleman familiar with the statement that Mr. J. Edgar Hoover made about Martin Luther King?" Ryan answered "Dr. King's record speaks eloquently for him."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 6-23-66 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau files or subject matter files.

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Date: 8/27/65

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Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT  
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Via AIRTEL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
SUBJECT: CIRM  
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(OO: NEW YORK)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 12/5/77 R33

Re New York teletypes dated 8/25/65 and 8/26/65,  
concerning a meeting of MARTIN LUTHER KING and his advisors,  
in Atlanta, Georgia, 8/26 through 28/65.

- 4 - Bureau (100-442529) (Encls. 10) (RM)  
(1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 3 - Atlanta (100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (ENCLS 3) (RM)  
(1 - 100-5717) (COMINFIL, SCLC)  
(1 - 100-6670) (CIRM)
- 1 - New York (100-46729) (BAYARD RUSTIN) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL) (SCLC) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-153735) (CIRM) (42)

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Enclosed are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information contained in referenced communication; 3 copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office.

The source of the information in the letterhead memorandum was [REDACTED]

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SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed STANLEY LEVISON boarding Eastern Airlines Flight 101Y, at Kennedy International Airport, 8/26/65.

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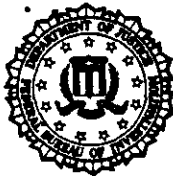
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
August 27, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 100-442529

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
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DATE 12/5/77

Re: Communist Influence  
In Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on August 25, 1965, that Bernard Lee (Personal Assistant to Martin Luther King) was in contact with Stanley Levison on that date. Lee stated that he was contacting Levison in behalf of King, who desired <sup>that</sup> Levison review an article which he (King) was writing for "The New York Times" magazine (Sunday's edition). Lee said that King wanted to determine whether or not the article was perceptive enough and if not, wanted him to make the necessary changes. Levison agreed to the request and said that he would make whatever changes were necessary.

Later, on August 25, 1965, the same source advised that Martin Luther King contacted Levison concerning the article which is to appear in "The New York Times", and also in regard to other matters. After discussing the article, they concurred that the article would receive nationwide attention, prompting King to comment that the article should contain a message to the effect that one way to respond to "that" (Los Angeles riot) was to take a completely negative attitude, whereby the civil rights leaders and everyone else would be blamed for the trouble. King said he had been accused since he had urged people to break laws during the civil rights demonstrations. In an effort to explain his position more clearly, King said that he was trying to get across the fact that a crisis like "that" (Los Angeles riot) could be both a danger point as well as an opportunity. "This is the time", King said, "to seek the causes and face the fact that we haven't done enough to right wrongs". He said, "Now is the time to make a new national commitment on the whole question of civil rights."

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## Communist Infiltration in Racial Matters

Levison, commenting on King's belief that a new national commitment should be made, said "such a statement could be expressed in the form King had used before, that non violence can make its effective contribution only when there is a creative and cooperative response on the other side from the power structure".

According to the source, one other important matter was considered before King and Levison ended their conference. King said he had a feeling that there was a need to re-evaluate "our whole programmatic thrust" in the next few months, particularly their work in the North. He said that was necessary since there had been accusations that the Los Angeles riot had been caused because civil rights leaders had not carried their program to the isolated people.

It was agreed that in view of King's feeling that an urgent consultation with his advisors was needed, specifically Young, Bayard Rustin, Levison and Clarence Jones, that a meeting be held in Atlanta at the Hilton Inn on August 26, 1965, through the morning of August 28, 1965.

The conference ended with a promise by Levison that he would contact Rustin and Jones to see whether or not they could attend the meeting.

The source advised on the night of August 25, 1965, that Stanley Levison made arrangements to fly to Atlanta, Georgia on August 26, 1965, aboard Eastern Airlines Flight 101Y, which was scheduled to leave Kennedy International Airport at 9:30 a.m. and arrive in Atlanta at 10:38 a.m. The source said Levison would be met at the Atlanta airport by Andrew Young (Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference).

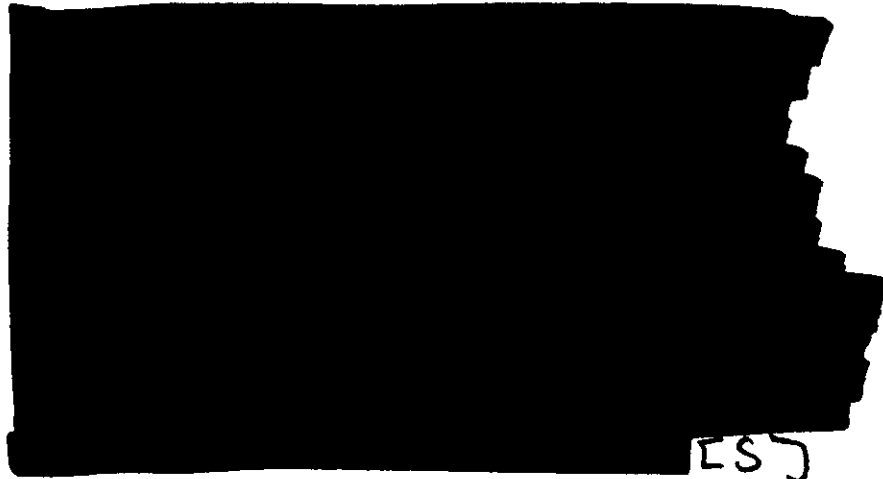
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Re: Communist Infiltration In  
Racial Matters

On August 26, 1965, at 9:30 a.m., Special Agents of the New York Office observed Stanley Levison board Eastern Airlines Flight Number 101Y and depart Kennedy International Airport for Atlanta, Georgia. [U]



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## Communist Influence In Racial Matters

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states. [U]

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. [U]

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1 column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957. [U]

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958. [U]

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Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates. [U]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

# Memorandum

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 Director's Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

TO : Mr. Moore

DATE: 6/27/78

FROM : S. S. Mignosa

1 - Mr. Moore  
 1 - Mr. Mignosa  
 1 - Mr. Thornton  
 3 - Mr. Bassett  
 Attn: Mrs. L. Martin  
 Mr. J. T. Aldhizer &  
 Mr. W. F. Shubatt

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

PURPOSE: To advise that serials and other material pertaining to the Martin Luther King, Jr., investigation, which were formerly maintained in a safe cabinet in former Section Chief J. G. Deegan's Office have been returned to Room 5847, JEH (Special File Room).

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

APPROVED:

Director \_\_\_\_\_  
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DETAILS: During this Bureau's investigation of Martin Luther King, Jr., certain serials containing "sensitive" information were removed from his main file and kept in a safe cabinet in former Section Chief J. G. Deegan's Office.

As a result of a compromise worked out in the Bernard Lee and Southern Christian Leadership Conference civil suits against the FBI, the "sensitive" material was segregated from the other material in the safe cabinet and given to the National Archives, where it will be maintained for a specified number of years.

Because all "sensitive" material has been removed from the safe cabinet, the remaining material consisting of several original serials and "tickler" copies of serials has been returned to records, specifically the Special File Room, Room 5847, JEH.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)      DATE: 10/27/77  
 Attention: Budget and Accounting Section  
 Finance and Personnel Division

FROM : *By* SAC, BUTTE (100-9533) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.  
 DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW  
 COST DATA

Re Butte letter to Bureau, 10/4/77.

No cost for 10/77.

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DATE: 11/3/77  
REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: *mpe/er*

11/3/77  
SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-56121) (SQ12) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW - COST DATA

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

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Re Bureau airtel to all SACs, 8/6/76; Bureau teletype to all SACs, 10/5/76; and Philadelphia letter to the Bureau, 9/6/76.

MARTIN LUTHER KING case has been closed for all intents in the Philadelphia Office since 11/1/76. No pertinent information concerning cost data and manpower hours have been reported since Philadelphia letter 11/9/76.


UACB, no further monthly letters will be submitted to the Bureau regarding cost data information on captioned case unless Philadelphia Division has positive information to report.

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Fehl *kuh*

FROM : K. V. Hetherington *kuh*

SUBJECT: BERNARD S. LEE V.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185  
BUFILE 62-117194

DATE: 7/28/77

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*MARTIN LUTHER KING*

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) V.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186  
BUFILE 62-117193

PURPOSE: To advise that documents and other materials were delivered to the National Archives and Records Service.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

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DETAILS: The SCLC complaint was filed 6/25/76, and sought \$5 million from present and former Bureau officials. The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76,

- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - Mr. Powers
- 1 - Mr. Awe
- 1 - Mr. Mintz (Attn: Harmon)
- 1 - Mr. Fehl
- 1 - Mr. Hetherington
- 1 - Mr. Lex
- 1 - Mr. Bredeweg *20*

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Memorandum to Mr. Fehl  
Re: Bernard S. Lee v.  
Clarence M. Kelley, et al.

Southern Christian Leadership Conference v.  
Clarence M. Kelley, et al.

sought \$1 million from the same defendants. Both suits sought to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, transcripts, and memoranda resulting from tapes of plaintiffs' conversations. An amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76, in both civil actions to address certain issues listed in the defendant's motion to dismiss. On 1/31/77, U. S. District Court Judge ordered that the motions to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run. However, the judge ordered that the results of microphonic and telephonic surveillance of King and the SCLC be turned over to the National Archives within 90 days of the date of dismissal order. The dismissal order expired on 4/30/77, but the Department of Justice asked the court for an extension of 90 days. That extension expired on 7/28/77, and the Department is requesting a further extension in this matter to complete the terms of the court order.

On 7/28/77, Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] Special Projects Review Unit, Special Investigative Division, and [REDACTED] Records Research Staff, Records Branch, Records Management Division, delivered ten boxes labeled 1 through 10 and marked "Secret - Martin Luther King, Jr., Materials" and one envelope containing an inventory of the contents of these boxes to [REDACTED] Chief of Legislative, Judicial and Fiscal Branch, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] signed a receipt, which is enclosed, for this material.

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Materials involved were reviewed by SA [REDACTED] from a classification standpoint and certain material therein continued to warrant Secret classification.

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On July 28, 1977, the National Archives and Records Service received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation 10 boxes labeled 1 through 10 and marked "Secret - Martin Luther King, Jr. Materials" and one envelope containing an inventory of the contents of these boxes.

Name  b(6) b7(c)  
Title Chief, Legislative Inquiries & Special Br.  
Date 7-28-77

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- Telephone Rm. \_\_\_\_\_
- Director's Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

TO : Mr. Moore

DATE: 5/4/77

FROM : S. S. Mignosa *SSM/gam*

- 1 - Mr. Moore
  - 1 - Mr. Ingram
  - 1 - Mr. Mignosa
  - 1 - Mr. Thornton
  - 1 - Mr. Awe
  - 1 - Mr. Decker
  - 1 - Mr. Mintz
  - 1 - Mr. Powers
- (Attn: Mr. Harmon)

SUBJECT: BERNARD S. LEE  
 VERSUS  
 CLARENCE M. KELLEY  
 ET AL.;  
 (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
 CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185  
 BUFILE 62-117194

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
 CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
 VERSUS  
 CLARENCE M. KELLEY  
 ET AL.;  
 (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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*Lauff*

PURPOSE: To advise that documents and other materials were delivered to the National Archives and Records Service

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Memo Mignosa to Moore  
Re: BERNARD S. LEE

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On 4/29/77, SA [REDACTED] Criminal Investigative Division, and [REDACTED] Management Analyst, Records Systems Section, Records Branch, Records Management Division, delivered four boxes, labeled 1 through 4 and marked "Top Secret - Martin Luther King, Jr., Materials," and one envelope containing an inventory of the contents of these boxes to [REDACTED] Assistant Archivist, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] signed a receipt, which is enclosed for this material. b7

Materials involved were reviewed by SA [REDACTED] from a classification standpoint and certain material therein continued to warrant "Top Secret" classification, while other material was downgraded or declassified. b7  
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Name [REDACTED] b7(c)  
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Title Assistant Archivist  
Date 4/29/77

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To: SACs, Atlanta  
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Honolulu  
Los Angeles  
Milwaukee  
Newark  
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PERSONAL ATTENTION

- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Maurice
- 1 - Mr. Thornton
- 1 - Mr. Awe
- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- (Attn: Mr. Harmon)
- 1 - Mr. Powers

From: Director, FBI

BERNARD S. LEE V.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY  
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(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 76-1185  
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
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ReBuairtel to recipients 3/4/77, advising of dates and locations of microphonic (MISURS) and telephonic (TESURS) surveillances of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and instructing that files concerning these MISURS and TESURS be reviewed and the results of the overhears submitted to FBIHQ.

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Airtel to SACs, Atlanta, Detroit,  
RE: BERNARD S. LEE

Recipients were advised subsequent to reairtel that this survey should include only tapes, transcripts and logs and should not include paraphrases of transcripts.

After reviewing pertinent FBIHQ files, Departmental Attorney Jonathan Smith advised on 4/7/77, that to comply with the court order in this matter it will be necessary to locate paraphrases of transcripts.

Therefore, recipients should review files concerning the aforementioned MISURS and TESURS, and where the results of the overhears were disseminated, to other field offices, a personal attention airtel should be sent to that field office containing appropriate identifying information enabling that office to locate the particular communication or communications. Those offices should be instructed to submit same to FBIHQ in compliance with the court order.

Copies of these communications, which should also show a Bureau deadline of 5/15/77, should be furnished FBIHQ to assist the Bureau in administrative handling of this matter. Due to volume of material disseminated by the Atlanta and New York Offices, those offices should submit periodic airtels as the material is identified so that the offices to which the material was disseminated can begin processing same.



Airtel to SACs, Atlanta, Detroit  
RE: BERNARD S. LEE

NOTE: The SCLC complaint was filed 6/25/76, and seeks \$5 million from present and former Bureau officials. The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76, seeks \$1 million from the same defendants. Both suits seek to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, transcripts and memoranda resulting from tapes of plaintiff's conversations. An amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76, in both civil actions to address certain issues listed in the defendant's motion to dismiss. On 1/31/77, U. S. District Court judge ordered that the motions to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run. However, the judge ordered that results of microphonic and telephonic surveillances of King and the SCLC be turned over to the National Archives within 90 days of the date of the dismissal order. The dismissal order is due to expire 4/30/77, but the Department of Justice has asked the court for an extension of 90 days. Buded of 5/15/77, is necessary to allow sufficient time for this information to be assembled at FBIHQ before the 90 days expires. This matter is being coordinated with SA P. Grant Harmon, Legal Counsel Division.

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To: SACs, Atlanta  
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PERSONAL ATTENTION

- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Maurice
- 1 - Mr. Thornton
- 1 - Mr. Decker  
 (Attn: Mr. Awe  
 Mr. Powers)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz  
 (Attn: Mr. Harmon)

From: Director, FBI

BERNARD S. LEE V.  
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*Martin Luther King*

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
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ReBuairtel to Albany 2/17/77, advising of dismissal of both civil actions and requesting each office to transmit to FBIHQ all known copies of tape recordings, transcripts, and logs resulting from the FBI's microphonic and telephonic surveillances, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff organization's former president Martin Luther King, Jr., his home, places of public accommodation

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Airtel to SACs, Atlanta, Detroit,  
RE: MARTIN L. KING

occupied by him and of the plaintiff organization's  
offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York City, New York.

For information of recipients and to assist  
in locating this information the following is being  
set forth concerning microphonic and telephonic surveillances  
of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian  
Leadership Conference (SCLC):

Microphone surveillances (MISUR) of King

Microphone coverage of Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
was conducted at the following locations and for the  
indicated periods of time set forth below:

<u>Symbol #</u>	<u>Dates of Surveillance</u>	<u>Location</u>
No Symbol #	January 5-7, 1964	Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.
[REDACTED]	January 27, 1964	Shroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
No Symbol #	February 18-20, 1964	Silton Hawaiian Village Honolulu, Hawaii
[REDACTED]	February 20-21, 1964	Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California
[REDACTED]	February 22-24, 1964	Hyatt House Hotel, Los Angeles, California
No Symbol #	March 19-20, 1964	Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan
No Symbol #	April 23-24, 1964	Senator Hotel, Sacramento, California
[REDACTED]	July 7-9, 1964	Hyatt House Hotel, Los Angeles, California
[REDACTED]	September 28, 1964 - October, 2, 1964	Manger Hotel, Savannah, Georgia
[REDACTED]	January 8-11, 1965	Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City
[REDACTED]	January 18-31, 1965	Americana Hotel, New York City

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[REDACTED]	March 29-31, 1965	Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City
[REDACTED]	May 12-13, 1965	Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, New York City
[REDACTED]	October 14-15, 1965	Astor Hotel, New York City
[REDACTED]	October 28-30, 1965	New York Hilton Hotel, New York City
[REDACTED]	November 29-30, 1965	Americana Hotel, New York City
No Symbol #	January 22, 1966	Americana Hotel, New York City

Telephone surveillances (TESUR) of King

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<u>Symbol #</u>	<u>Dates of Surveillance</u>	<u>Location</u>
[REDACTED]	August 22-27, 1964	Claridge Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey
[REDACTED]	November 8, 1963 - April 30, 1965	Martin Luther King's Residence
[REDACTED]	April 24-26, 1964	Hyatt House Motel, Los Angeles, California
[REDACTED]	July 7-9, 1964	Hyatt House Motel, Los Angeles, California
No Symbol #	August 14, 1964 - September 8, 1964	Apartment 2B, 125 E. 72nd Street, New York City

Electronic coverage of the SCLC

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<u>Symbol #</u>	<u>Dates of Surveillance</u>	<u>Location</u>
[REDACTED]	October 23, 1963 - January 24, 1964	SCLC, Office, New York City
[REDACTED]	July 13-31, 1964	Room 1202, 14 E. 46th Street New York City
[REDACTED]	November 8, 1963 - June 21, 1966	SCLC Office, Atlanta, Georgia
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		

**Airtel to SACs, Atlanta, Detroit,  
RE: BERNARD S. LEE**

Recipients should review files concerning the above-listed MISURS and TESURS and where the results of the overhears were disseminated, to other field offices, a personal attention airtel should be sent to that field office containing appropriate identifying information enabling that office to locate the particular communication or communications and submit same to FBIHQ in compliance with this court order. Copies of these communications, which should also show a Bureau deadline of 3/21/77, should be furnished FBIHQ to assist the Bureau in administrative handling of this matter.

**NOTE:** The SCLC complaint was filed 6/25/76, and seeks \$5 million from present and former Bureau officials. The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76, seeks \$1 million from the same defendants. Both suits seek to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, transcripts and memoranda resulting from tapes of plaintiff's conversations. An amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76, in both civil actions to address certain issues listed in the defendant's motion to dismiss. On 1/31/77, U. S. District Court judge ordered that the motions to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run. However, the judge ordered that results of microphonic and telephonic surveillances of King and the SCLC be turned over to the National Archives within 90 days of the date of the dismissal order. Above instructions being sent to appropriate offices to assist them in complying with the judge's order. Buded of 3/21/77, is necessary to allow sufficient time for this information to be assembled at FBIHQ before the 90 days expires. This matter is being coordinated with SA P. Grant Harmon, Legal Counsel Division.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Gallagher

DATE: 2/18/77

FROM : J. S. Peelman

SUBJECT: REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE FBI - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SECURITY ASSASSINATION INVESTIGATIONS

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Deegan
- 1 - Mr. Lawn
- 1 - Mr. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Leavitt
- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Ryan

- Assoc. Dir. \_\_\_\_\_
- Dep. AD Adm. \_\_\_\_\_
- Dep. AD Inv. \_\_\_\_\_
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- Adm. Serv. \_\_\_\_\_
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- Gen. Inv. \_\_\_\_\_
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- Legal Coun. \_\_\_\_\_
- Plan. & Eval. \_\_\_\_\_
- Rec. Mgmt. \_\_\_\_\_
- Spec. Inv. \_\_\_\_\_
- Training \_\_\_\_\_
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- Director Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

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PURPOSE: To advise of receipt on 2/18/77 of final Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) publicly releasable report re captioned matter and to advise of changes made in final report.

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

APPROVED:

Director \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assoc. Dir. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dep. AD Adm. \_\_\_\_\_  
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DETAILS: By memorandum dated 1/19/77, you were advised of background information regarding the review and report by the OPR, U. S. Department of Justice (USDJ), of the FBI's investigation of Martin Luther King, Jr. By letter dated 1/21/77, we furnished our observations concerning this report to the Attorney General. By memorandum dated 2/2/77, you were advised of the receipt of a revised OPR report and what action the Department took concerning our observations. Other

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*Gallagher*  
*Peelman*  
*Held*

Memorandum to Mr. Gallagher  
RE: REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
JUSTICE TASK FORCE

minor discrepancies and typographical errors in the revised report were brought to the attention of the OPR on 2/1/77.

On 2/18/77 the OPR furnished a copy of its final report, which reportedly will be made public on 2/18/77. A review of this final report received 2/18/77 was made and the following changes made by OPR are set forth:

The Assassination Investigation

The previous OPR report contained the following statement on page 90, "Ray's stipulated judicial confession comports in detail with the facts disclosed by the investigation and the failure of the self-serving stories persuasively undermines the likelihood of any conspiracy. An actual conspiracy could be described with some verifiable corroborative details and a conspiracy to Kill Dr. King, in our view, clearly had to have Ray as its 'hit man.' We conclude on the basis of the evidence examined that there was no such conspiracy."

The final report amends the above on page 90 as follows: "Ray's stipulated judicial confession comports in detail with the facts disclosed by the investigation and the failure of the self-serving stories persuasively undermines the likelihood of any conspiracy." (The remainder of the material previously set forth was deleted.)

On page 91 of the final report, a footnote was added to read, "FBI files disclosed that James Earl Ray has an IQ of 105." On page 95 of the previous report, a sentence stated, in part, "Dr. Freeman believes that Ray was very capable of assassination ...". The final report changed this to read, "Dr. Freeman believes that Ray was potentially capable of assassination..."

Memorandum to Mr. Gallagher  
RE: REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
JUSTICE TASK FORCE

The Security Investigation

On page 130 the previous OPR report referred to the "Deegan File" as FBI Headquarters location of some King material. A footnote in this report explained the "Deegan File" as a file cabinet in the Office of Section Chief Joseph G. Deegan containing documents and tapes removed from the regular filing system to provide more than normal protection. The final OPR report deletes reference to the "Deegan File" and the footnote.

On page 135 OPR deletes the following information pertaining to Coretta King: "... and attempting to verify rumors concerning various relationships which she might be having after the death of Dr. King (HQ 62-108052-64, 67, 71). The rumors were never substantiated. Yet, they were forwarded to the White House by the Bureau (HQ 62-108052-67)."

Miscellaneous

Following receipt of the previous OPR report, a number of minor discrepancies and typographical errors were brought to the attention of OPR on 2/1/77. In compliance, OPR's final report corrected typographical errors on pages 84 and 92, deleted the name Lester B. Sullivan from the title in a memorandum appearing in Appendix A, and assembled correctly two pages in Appendix A that were out of order. OPR took no action on our suggestion to delete, for privacy reasons, the names of SA Joe Hester on page 24 and Atlanta Chief of Police Jenkins on page 134, and, for security reasons, informant file numbers on page 25.



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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

BERNARD S. LEE, V.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY,  
ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 76-1185

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. McDermott
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Deegan
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - (Attn: PtoG. Harmon)
- 1 - Mr. Thornton
- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - (Attn: J. M. Powers)
- 1 - Each Other Assistant  
Director

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE, V.  
CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 76-1186  
BUDED: 2/28/77

For information of recipients, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) complaint was filed on 6/25/76, and seeks \$5 million from Mr. Kelley; Mr. DeLoach; Mr. William C. Sullivan; Mr. John P. Mohr, executor of the estate of Clyde A. Tolson, deceased; and ten unknown FBI Agents.

The Bernard S. Lee complaint, which was also filed on 6/25/76, seeks \$1 million from the same named defendants and from two unknown FBI Agents. Both suits seek to compel the FBI to furnish the courts with all tape recordings, transcripts and memos resulting from tapes of plaintiffs conversations.

Amended complaint was filed on 9/29/76 in both civil actions to address certain issues raised in the defendants' motions to dismiss, filed 9/27/76.

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- 1 - (100-106670) (King)

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Airtel to SAC, Albany  
Re: Bernard S. Lee

On 1/31/77, U. S. District Court Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., ordered that the motions by Federal defendants to dismiss the amended complaints in both civil actions be granted because the Statute of Limitations had run. He further ordered that within 90 days all known copies of the recorded tapes and transcripts thereof, resulting from the FBI's microphonic surveillance, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff organization's former president Martin Luther King, Jr., and all known copies of the tapes, transcripts, and logs resulting from the FBI's telephone wiretapping, between 1963 and 1968, of the plaintiff organization's offices in Atlanta, Georgia, and New York, New York, the home of Martin Luther King, Jr., and places of public accommodation occupied by Martin Luther King, Jr. be assembled at FBIHQ. He also ordered that an inventory of the tapes and documents be delivered to him and the tapes and documents themselves be delivered to the custody of the National Archives and Records Service.

In order to comply with Judge Smith's order, each office should transmit all known copies of tape recordings, transcripts, and logs, as specified above, to FBIHQ by 2/28/77, to the attention of Mr. Vernon R. Thornton.

This should be handled under the direct supervision of each SAC and Legat and should include any portions of documents known to have been routed to other files.

Also, each office should send an inventory of all material transmitted.

In the event it is necessary for "Top Secret" material to be transmitted to FBIHQ, it should be handled in accordance with instructions set forth in Buairtel to all offices, dated 1/10/77, captioned, "Protection of National Security Information and Material, Executive Order 11652."

**NOTE:** This matter has been coordinated with SA P. Grant Harmon of the Legal Counsel Division. Buded of 2/28/77 will allow the General Investigative Division to assemble a composite inventory of all the material received from the field and prepare same for turning over to the National Archives.

FBI

Date: 2/11/77

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

(Type in plaintext or code)

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AIRMAIL

Via \_\_\_\_\_

(Precedence)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.;  
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that approxi-  
mately two weeks ago, [redacted]

[redacted] had been requesting all  
available information regarding JAMES EARL RAY, including  
police reports regarding a grocery store robbery in Alton in  
1963, along with police reports on the robbery of the Bank of  
Alton which occurred in 1967. [redacted] advised [redacted]  
informed him he was collecting information regarding the  
assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING at the request of  
the United States Department of Justice. [redacted]  
advised [redacted] furnished [redacted] all  
available information regarding JAMES EARL RAY and it  
was [redacted] understanding that [redacted]  
was collecting the information and would in turn deliver  
it to the Departmental Attorney in Washington, D. C.

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For the information of the Bureau, neither [redacted]  
nor [redacted], has contacted the Alton RA  
of the FBI in writing or orally requesting any information  
regarding the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING or  
any information relating to JAMES EARL RAY.

The above information is being furnished FBIHQ  
for information and possible dissemination to U. S. Department  
of Justice.

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Approved: 84 MAR 2 1977 Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General  
**Civil Rights Division**

DATE: **February 22, 1977**

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.;**  
**DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW**  
**CIVIL RIGHTS**

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Reference is made to \_\_\_\_\_ memorandum dated \_\_\_\_\_  
(your file \_\_\_\_\_).

There is enclosed one copy of the report of Special Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
dated \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

A.  This covers the preliminary investigation and no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B.  The investigation is continuing and you will be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C.  The investigation requested by you has now been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further inquiries will be made by this Bureau.

D.  Pursuant to instructions issued by the Department, no investigation will be conducted in this matter unless specifically directed by the Department.

E.  Please advise whether you desire any further investigation.

F.  This is submitted for your information and you will be advised of further developments.

G.  This is submitted for your information and no further investigation will be conducted unless specifically requested by the Department.

H.  This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

Enc.

**1 - Office of Professional Responsibility, U.S.D.J.**

*File copy /* **SEE NOTE PAGE TWO.**

Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

NOTE: Our Springfield Office of the FBI advised by communication dated February 11, 1977, that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that approximately two weeks ago,

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[REDACTED] had been requesting all available information regarding James Earl Ray, including police reports regarding a grocery store robbery in Alton in 1963, along with police reports on the robbery of the Bank of Alton which occurred in 1967. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] informed him he was collecting information regarding the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King at the request of the United States Department of Justice. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] had furnished [REDACTED] all available information regarding James Earl Ray and it was [REDACTED] understanding that [REDACTED] was collecting the information and would in turn deliver it to the Departmental Attorney in Washington, D. C.

Neither [REDACTED] nor [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has contacted the Alton Resident Agency of the FBI in writing or orally requesting any information regarding the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King or any information relating to James Earl Ray.